वनेतर भूमि को उपयोग में लाने का जो प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुआ था, उसे निर्धारित शर्तों को पूरा किए जाने पर मंजूरी दे दी गई है, ये शर्तें हैं–(1) वनेतर भूमि का राज्य वन विभाग को हस्तांतरण और दाखिल-खारिज, तथा (2) राज्य वन विभाग के पक्ष में वनेतर भूमि में वन भूमि के बराबर तथा अवक्रमित भूमि में वन भूमि के दुगुने क्षेत्र में क्षतिपूरक वनरोपण की लागत का हस्तांतरण।

(घ) राज्य सरकार से अपेक्षित सूचना प्राप्त होने पर वन (संरक्षण) अधिनियम, 1980 के अन्तर्गत प्राप्त प्रस्तावों पर अन्तिम निर्णय लेने के लिए उनकी जांच शीघ्र की जाती है।

Marine pollution in the coast line of Tamil Nadu

597. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study was made about the marine pollution in the coast line of Tamil Nadu State and if so, what are the details thereof?

(b) whether it is a fact that the release of heated water generated from thermal and nuclear power plants effects the species and ressile, coral marine algae and sea grass;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is a sharp decline in oxygen level in inland and coastal waters; and

(d) what steps have been taken to contain marine pollution in Tamil Nadu State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) A reconnaissance survey of the entire Tamil Nadu coast was carried out and the major point sources of pollution which includes industrial and municipal discharges were identified, the zoning and classification of the coastal waters has been carried out which includes recommendations for protecting the coastal water quality.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) (i) Point sources of pollution have been identified;

(ii) Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board secures compliance of standards by coastal waters along Tamil Nadu coast;

(iii) Wherever applicable, the industries/municipalities have been directed to construct marine outfalls with a diffuser system;

(iv) The Central Govenment has issued general instructions that no industry/factory should be given a consent to establish within 500 meters from shoreline.

Destruction of the farm land near Chitrapuzha in Kerala

598. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that farm lands near Chitrapuzha in Irumbanam in Kerala are being destroyed due to pollution from FACT; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to prevent the destruction of the farm lands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b) Crop damage has been reported in the farm lands near Chitrapuzha in Irumbanam due to pollution of ground water caused by the disposal of solid waste at FACT. The industry has been directed to comply with the prescribed standards within a time-frame.